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ABSTRACT

Teen violence in 14 countries is examined to provide greater understanding of teen violence in the United States. An introduction provides an overview of similarities and differences in teen violence in the selected localities. Each chapter begins with a profile of the country and an overview of the impact of the problem, including basic policies, legislation, and demographic information. A brief historical perspective is provided; factors contributing to teen violence are explained; and the incidence or extent of teen violence is estimated for each country. Finally, the country's specific programs or strategies used to prevent or control teen violence are reviewed. The chapters are: (1) "Australia" (Christine Alder and Nichole Hunter); (2) "Canada" (Raymond R. Corrado, Irwin M. Cohen, and Candice Odgers); (3) "England and Wales" (Shirley Rawstorne); (4) "Germany" (Christopher R. Williams, Bruce Arrigo, and Stephanie Klaus); (5) "Israel" (Giora Rahav); (6) "Italy" (Anna Constanza Baldry); (7) "Jamaica" (Frederick Allen); (8) "Russia" (William E. Thornton and Lydia Voight); (9) "St. Lucia" (Victoria Bruner); (10) "Slovenia" (Gorazd Mesko, Branko Lobnikar, Milan Pagon, and Bojan Dekleva); (11) "South Africa" (Beaty Naude); (12) "Spain" (Javier Garcia-Perales); (13) "Thailand" (John C. Quicker); and (14) "United States" (Wayne N. Welsh). (Contains 328 references.) (RKJ)

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